## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 620 By Finney

A RESOLUTION to congratulate H. Brooke Blair upon being honored as Sevier County Schools 2006

Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pay tribute to those exemplary professionals who have dedicated their careers to the inspiration and education of young minds; and

WHEREAS, H. Brooke Blair, who teaches at Sevierville Primary Schools in the Sevier County School District, is most assuredly one such superlative professional who is deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Blair was recently selected as Sevier County Schools 2006 Teacher of the Year for kindergarten through fourth grade (K-4), an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, seeking to provide her students with a basis for growing into successful, positive members of society, H. Brooke Blair earned a bachelor's degree at Middle Tennessee State University, a master's degree in education, and an educational specialist degree from University of Tennessee at Knoxville; she is currently completing her Doctor of Education degree at East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Blair has served with acumen and alacrity as a first grade/multi-age teacher at Sevier Primary Schools, where she strives to teach children to be lifelong readers and assists them in setting and achieving their goals in life; and

WHEREAS, as the 2006 Sevier County Teacher of the Year for grades K-4, Ms. Blair is being recognized for her effective teaching practices, her professionalism, and her participation

in building a strong community-school partnership; a supervisor-administrator-past teacher of the year panel has selected her from all nominees to receive this award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Blair is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; she truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, H. Brooke Blair truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate H. Brooke Blair on being chosen as Sevier County Schools 2006 Teacher of the Year for Grades K-4 and honor her for her generous dedication to her students and her community and the positive impact she makes on the lives of her students.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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